

## Boone County Sends Rail Loop Back to ZBP

by David Larson

Wednesday evening, the Boone County Board, at its regular meeting considered the rezoning, construction, and operation of a railroad loop/spur on approximately 122 acres north of Route 20, west of Garden Prairie Road and south of Lawrenceville Road. (see diagram)

Several neighbors of the proposed facility complained that they were not given adequate legal notice of the application. As a result, the matter was referred back to the Boone County Zoning Board of Appeals.

In less than 10 hours time, this facility would be able to load a 110-car train with 420,000 bushels of grain, at a rate of 40,000 to 60,000 bushels per hour. The DeLong Company expects two trains a month would depart the new facility in Garden Prairie. It will use the Union Pacific line, which is also used by Fiat Chrysler (FCA US).

According to William DeLong, V.P. of the grain division at DeLong, the Garden Prairie and Marengo grain elevators will ship out of this location. In the past, grain from these elevators were trucked to the starch market in Chicago. Changes in the starch market no longer support accepting trucked grain. DeLong, in making this addition to its operation, will participate in a new market, the southern poultry-producing area of Arkansas and Texas, which only accepts full, 110-car trains of grain. Garden Prairie will be the origin of a 110-car shuttle train that will travel for 3 to 4 days directly to grain processing facilities for poultry in the Southern United States. According to Mr. DeLong, single car shipments are no longer competitive options in the grain business.

Headquartered Clinton, Wisconsin, DeLong currently operates 24 facilities and offices in Wisconsin, Illinois, Florida, Kansas, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York and Ohio. The DeLong Co. is the largest U.S. exporter of containerized agricultural exports, according to the 2016 Journal of Commerce export rankings. The company ranked fifth overall in total U.S. container exports for 2016. The company currently employ between 300 and 350 full-time, part-time and seasonal employees at various locations throughout the year.

this county - and abroad - hate to admit it, Illinois is a blue state. In terms of state legislature, the Democratic Party holds the majority in Illinois in both the House and the Senate. When Rauner, a Republican, took office in 2014, Illinois government became divided. Of course the Democrats would prefer to further solidify their majority and take over the Governorship as well. These efforts seem to be paying off. A poll taken in early October reported that Illinois is likely to lean left on election day, in favor of Pritzker (governing.com). In other words, change is coming.

When midterms come around, there is always a call to action of some sort. Every few years, we are told "this could be the most important election of your lifetime," or that, "the vote you cast today has the power to change the American legislative system as we know it."

If you want to believe in anything remotely relative to these statements, now is the time to do so.

Take a minute and look around. See the world that we are living in. We are at point in history where our government is at war with itself. This war may not be

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## Chicago Referendums

by Joe Kaise

Chicago voters are inching closer to imposing term limits on the city's mayor.

The Chicago Board of Elections ruled Aug. 30 that the group Take Charge Chicago - led by former Gov. Pat Quinn - had collected enough valid signatures to get a binding referendum for Chicago mayoral term limits on the November ballot. The referendum, if successful, would limit the mayor to two four-year terms and create an elected city "consumer advocate."

The referendum effort is likely to face legal challenges from opponents down the road, but it'd be difficult to argue that Chicagoans - and Illinoisans generally - don't desire term limits.

Of the 10 biggest cities in the U.S., all but Chicago have some form of term limits. And according to the National Conference of State Legislatures, Illinois is one of just 14 states with no form of term limits for state lawmakers and the following executive branch offices: governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general, treasurer, auditor general and comptroller. Meanwhile, a 2012 Paul Simon Public Policy Institute poll found nearly 80 percent of registered Illinois voters favor term limits for state lawmakers.

A lack of term limits combined with partisan political mapmaking leave too few checks on Illinois' political leadership. At the state level, this is evidenced by the longest-serving House speaker in modern U.S. history and a Senate president who has been in Springfield for nearly four decades. In Chicago, meanwhile, voters have had only two mayors for nearly 30 years.

The result of Quinn's court battle may hinge on whether the three nonbinding referendum questions Chicago City Council has already loaded onto the November ballot effectively crowd out the possibili-

ty for another.

Chicago voters will have the option to answer non-binding referendum questions this November regarding the city's adoption of a supposed plastic straw ban; whether future tax revenue from the sale of marijuana should be dedicated to Chicago Public Schools and mental health services, in the event of legalization; and whether the city should support a statewide effort to offer a new property tax exemption for longtime, low-income homeowners.

## Let's Talk About Midterms

By Sofi Zeman

November 6 is quickly approaching and leaving just a matter of weeks until the 2018 midterm elections. In just under a month, all 435 seats in the House of Representatives will be up for grabs, as well as approximately one-third of the United States Senate. This year's midterms - which mark the halfway point of the current presidency - are especially important, given the controversiality of the Trump Administration. Through these elections, Democrats will attempt to flip the majority in one of - if not both - chambers of Congress. Meanwhile, Republicans will use these elections to try to maintain the majority power that they currently hold in both chambers. Needless to say, this is a time to be paying attention to what's going on in American politics.

In many (but not all) states, governors, state legislature officers and municipal officials are up for election. It's no secret to Illinois residents that Gov. Bruce Rauner is currently up for re-election. His top competition in the race for Governor of Illinois is currently Democrat, J.B. Pritzker.

Here are the facts. Though many people who live in

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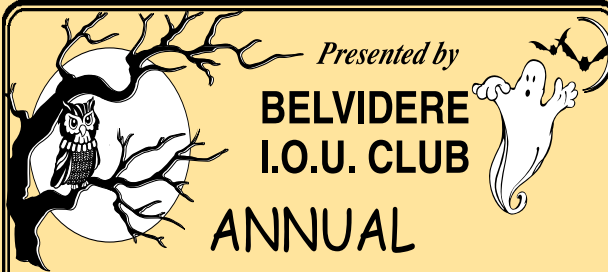
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# Tax Cuts for the Rich, Health Care Cuts for Everyone Else

By Sara Dady and Michael Rothman

Less than a year ago, Representative Adam Kinzinger and his Republican colleagues in the House voted for a tax bill that gave over a trillion dollars in tax cuts to millionaires, billionaires, and wealthy corporations. With a country facing so many important and expensive problems, from out-of-control health care costs to a crumbling infrastructure to a woefully underfunded education system, this Congress decided that tax cuts for the rich were their number one priority. They made their choice, and this November, voters in Illinois' 16th District have a choice of their own to make. Do they want a Congress that's going to help working families, or do they want one that's going to focus on making the rich richer?

This Congress has shown that it cannot be trusted to act with the interests of average American families in mind. Despite what many of them claim, last year's tax bill wasn't a middle-class tax cut, it was a massive handout to the ultra-wealthy. Take it from one of us, a wealthy businessman who knows better than most just how much preferential treatment the top 1% get in this new Republican tax code: the entire thing was designed to funnel even more money towards those at the top, money that we don't need. With 83% of the bill's \$1.9 trillion in tax cuts projected to go to the top 1%, there's barely more than crumbs left for the rest of the population. And instead of leading to higher wages for workers, the huge corporate tax cuts in this bill have led to higher bonuses for CEOs and nearly \$1 trillion in stock buybacks that just make wealthy investors richer.

Even worse, the Republican tax bill doesn't just give too much to the wealthy and too little to working families – it actually makes life harder, and sicker, for millions of Americans. In order to free up more money for corporate tax cuts, Republicans eliminated the Affordable Care Act's individual mandate, deliberately sabotaging American healthcare markets. With this change, the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office estimates that the Republican tax bill will, over the next decade, cause 13 million fewer Americans to have health insurance and increase premiums by as much as an additional 10% each year. Rising healthcare costs are already hurting Illinois families, and if Republicans in Congress get their way, things are about to get much worse.

House Republicans are already using the deficit that they themselves created as an excuse to make massive cuts to programs that millions of Americans rely on. But don't take our word for it, look at what they themselves have proposed. Earlier this year the Republican House budget proposal, their vision

for what government spending "should" look like, included over \$500 billion in cuts to Medicare and \$1.5 trillion in cuts to Medicaid and other health programs, all in the name of fiscal responsibility. There's nothing responsible about giving away \$2 trillion in tax cuts to millionaires and corporations and then trying to pay for it by taking healthcare away from poor and elderly Americans who rely on those programs to survive. Those are massive cuts to programs that are absolutely essential to modern American life, and there's simply no world in which this is an acceptable tradeoff to the American people or the people of Illinois' 16th.

With rising healthcare costs and Medicare and Medicaid in jeopardy, thousands of families in Illinois' 16th District are at risk of losing access to life-saving treatment because Adam Kinzinger and his colleagues in Washington decided that their health was less important than corporate profits. This is unacceptable. Health care is already too expensive for too many Illinoisans without our elected officials working against us. We need a Congress focused on making health care cheaper and more accessible, not taking it away from the most vulnerable among us.

Simply put, last year's Republican tax bill was a disaster for our country that we can't afford to repeat. This Congress, Rep. Kinzinger included, has shown itself to be either incapable or unwilling to actually work to make life better for normal Americans. We need legislation coming out of Washington that puts working families first, not their billionaire donors. It's time we had a government that worked for the people, and to get there, we need new leadership in Congress.

## Midterms

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as literal or blatant as some that have taken place in the past. However, its existence is undeniable. This division is not simply party-based, as it is in Illinois. Yes, the ever constant clash between the two dominant political parties remains to be an issue. But, this has become so much more than that. The past two years have primarily consisted of constant conspiracy theories, accusations of treason and the resignations of multiple long-time government figures. Weeks ago, The New York Times received a letter from a government insider that claimed to be a part of a group of people conspiring against the current administration. All party lines and beliefs aside, we should all be able to agree to the fact that things have gotten a little out of hand on a variety of fronts.

Regardless of which side you want to take, it's important to exercise your right to vote. Your vote does matter - and so do the results of these upcoming elections. Keep up to date with American politics. Encourage younger generations to get involved, rather than discouraging their opinions. Members of Gen Z, register when you're able to do so. The outcome of these elections are going to impact the lives of many, many people, so don't leave it up to a skew in results because of non-voters.



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--In Our Opinion--

## Politics For Grownups

### 4. Yes, Chicago Matters

When Illinois politicians and others want to make excuses for their shortcomings, it is always a favorite ploy to blame either "Chicago" or "Downstate" for either causing the obstruction or taking all the money.

Alternatively, instead of working together to do the people's business, it's much more fashionable to blame Gov. Bruce Rauner for bad weather and Rep. Michael Madigan (D., Chicago) for every sort of pestilence that has ever hit this state. Colleagues in the opposite party are, of course, the devil's spawn.

A recent academic study was published by the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute of Southern Illinois University at Carbondale attempting to quantify by county and region who is paying their fair share of Illinois' bills. And who is getting all the pork.

*The Politics of Public Budgeting in Illinois*, authored by John Jackson and John Foster, contains a number of assumptions and builds a model that may not be entirely accurate to the penny, but we believe it gives us a reasonably good picture of who is carrying the freight.

#### Who pays the bills in Illinois?

In short, the suburbs. They are assisted by Chicago. Without them, Downstate Illinois would be a basket case.

Jackson and Foster found that for every dollar contributed to the state, Cook County received 90 cents. The Collar Counties suburbs received an average return of 53 cents on the dollar. The rest of the state saw a dividend of \$1.69 for every dollar contributed.

The biggest losers in this sweepstakes were DuPage County residents, with a return of only 35 cents. As DuPage County has a population exceeding 1 million people, this amounts to a substantial transfer of wealth. Lake County, with 700,000 people and only a 44-cent return, didn't do much better.

Locally, McHenry got back 47 cents on the dollar, Boone County essentially broke even at 96 cents and Winnebago County came out ahead with a \$1.18 return for its dollar. On average, Northern Illinois counties outside the metropolitan area got back about \$1.24 for every dollar invested.

Of course, Sangamon County, home of state government, and Champaign County, home of the University of Illinois, could be expected to be net recipients. But the big winner in this contest is not Central, but Southern Illinois, who gets back a whopping \$2.81 for every dollar sent to Springfield. The champion? Johnson County, in far southern Illinois, who gets back \$7.08 for every dollar it contributes!

Roads are smooth as glass and are called "freeways," not "tollways" down there. Think of that the next time your I-Pass account gets automatically "replenished."

Without Chicago, taxes in Boone County would skyrocket as we would be the ones subsidizing Rockford and Southern Illinois.

#### Chicago's other contributions to Illinois

Apart from acting as paymaster, Chicago provides O'Hare International Airport. 45 minutes from Boone County are nonstop flights to 220 cities worldwide. O'Hare is one of only five airports in the world to provide nonstop service to all six populated areas of the globe.

Chicago is a visual and artistic delight, providing cultural opportunities for Belvidere that are unrivaled in the Midwest. Its symphony orchestra and gourmet restaurants continue to rank among the world's best.

Chicago continues to lead the world in architectural design, designing many of the world's supertall and architecturally significant buildings. Corporate Chicago is vibrant and continues to attract some of the nation's largest corporations, who bring superlative employment opportunities to Illinois, including commuters from Harvard and Marengo.

With the University of Chicago, Northwestern, DePaul, Roosevelt, Loyola, Northeastern Illinois, UIC, Chicago State, North Park and several other universities and colleges, Chicago provides Boone

County with commutable access to one of the largest scholarly communities in the world.

Despite its shortcomings and problems, Chicago provides Belvidere with a chance for a better life that is the envy of the world.

Yet, Boone County's State Representative, Joe Sosnowski, introduced legislation in our name this year proposing to expel this economic engine from Illinois. What possible good could kicking Chicago out of Illinois do for Mr. Sosnowski's constituents?

#### Giving Mr. Sosnowski his wish.

Let's daydream for a moment and imagine the scenario Mr. Sosnowski's ideas would unleash:

To keep things straight, we'll call the new state Chicago is in "Dearborn" and the remaining part of Illinois "Downstate."

For starters, Cook County would be rendered into three pieces, one surrounded by another state. With its county seat in Chicago, Cook County would look at its economic fortunes and obviously decide to go with Dearborn instead of Downstate.

Faced with the prospect of either subsidizing Downstate or being part of a robust Dearborn, it's clear that DuPage, Lake, Will, McHenry and Kane would opt to join Chicago as well.

Assuming Dearborn would allow Boone County to join them, given our relative financial status as a net contributor to Illinois, we would be fools not to join Chicago in a new State of Dearborn. Of course, we'd lose Mr. Sosnowski, whose home is in Rockford.

With skyrocketing tax bills, we doubt Sosnowski would be popular in Rockford or Southern Illinois after the tremendous lost subsidy that Downstate would be facing. Caterpillar would demand tax relief under threat of moving operations from Peoria. State Farm would escalate its move from Bloomington to other parts of the US. Deere would not be happy and may even encourage Moline to join Iowa. Much of the rest of the state might beg to become part of Indiana or Missouri.

It wouldn't stop at the Illinois border. California, Texas and Ohio would no doubt fracture and New York, Pennsylvania and Michigan would be paying attention. Nothing would result that would enhance the quality of life in E Pluribus Unum.

Be careful what you wish for, Mr. Sosnowski.

Mr. Sosnowski's voting record on other issues reflects that of a radical extremist, who fancies himself as the arbiter of how other people should live their lives. We'll save a discussion of that for another day. Because Chicagoans don't conform to Mr. Sosnowski's view of how they should behave, he proposes to destroy the state, in the hope he'll purify his portion of Illinois.

Sosnowski was sent to Springfield by the people of this district to represent our economic interest. While there, we have seen him do precious little or nothing for Boone County. His mischievous nonsense has done nothing to enhance his stature in Boone County or elsewhere in Illinois. Perhaps Mr. Sosnowski is the reason Boone County ranks close to the bottom among counties on return from Illinois government. The portion of his district in Winnebago County isn't doing all that well either.

## Opinion: Deal Illinois in on sports gambling, but prepare for diminishing returns

By Brett Rowland | Illinois News Network

Lawmakers prepared to allow sports gambling in Illinois shouldn't be expecting a jackpot that will solve the state's fiscal crisis.

The opportunity has arisen for the state to open up legalized betting on sports. In May, the Supreme Court struck down federal prohibitions on sports gambling, opening the door for state-sanctioned sports betting across the country, not just in Nevada. Neighboring states are likely to get into the game, but Illinois can still get out in front of them.

Regardless of how you feel about gambling, it is well established here. In addition to the state lottery, Illinois has horse tracks and casinos. Video gambling is seemingly everywhere.

At this point, adding sports to the mix shouldn't be controversial. Sports gambling is already happening here. It might as well be state-sanctioned to protect those who choose to play, so long as the politicians who write the law don't play favorites.

So go for it. Set up a fair marketplace with clear rules and taxes. Establish reasonable limits. Bet on the New York Mets. Or the Cleveland Browns. Or the Washington Generals. But don't expect a windfall. Expect diminishing returns.

Illinois' Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability told lawmakers at a hearing in May that adjusted gross receipts for the state's casinos have declined annually for the past six years. Casino tax revenue has declined while video gambling revenues have increased.

COGFA has estimated that a plan that would add six casinos with 21,000 gaming positions while restructuring the casino tax structure would bring in another \$12 million. That's not going to make a dent in the state's \$8 billion pile of unpaid bills. Or its \$130 billion in unfunded pension debt.

Sports gambling could bring in more than that \$12 million. Not near enough to cover the spread.

The state's financial problems will still be here. Unresolved.

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## Letter to The Editor

Editor:

Tuesday night, 10/16, I attended the candidate forum hosted by the League of Women Voters. The candidates for the 67th, 68th and 69th districts of the Illinois State House were invited, along with the candidates for other local races. It provided a rare opportunity to compare and contrast the candidates from both parties.

For the most part, the candidates and the attendees were well spoken and respectful. The supporters of one candidate in particular, Joe Sosnowski of the 69th, took to heckling and badgering Sosnowski's opponent, Angie Bodine. It appeared as if they were strategically positioned throughout the crowd and coordinated.

The bullying seemed to get the loudest when Bodine voiced her disagreement with his signature piece of legislation, SB1947. Bodine stressed that taxpayer dollars should not be used to support private schools, but instead should be used for public schools that benefit the community as a whole. I have been invited to enough forums to know that it is imperative to show respect and consideration, yet Sosnowski never once asked his supporters to do this.

Speaking in front of a large audience is difficult enough, let alone add in bullying from your opponents supporters. If this is indicative of how Sosnowski legislates, it makes sense that he has accomplished little for his district. His one signature accomplishment that he can point to is a transfer of \$75 million of taxpayer money to private schools. This bill, SB 1947, transfers potential funding for public schools into a fund for a few children to attend private schools.

Illinois has many challenges ahead and this will require the inclusion of multiple perspectives. Bullying people only serves to suppress those ideas and continue the stalemate. Based on the his past

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record and the behavior of his supporters, I will not be voting for Sosnowski. Instead I urge everyone to send someone with fresh ideas to Springfield and elect Angie Bodine.

Bill Becker

To the Editor,

I have recently learned not only that there is a massive petroleum pipeline and a diluent line running through Boone county, but also that they are planning a third line, for more tar sands oil. This is after building a pumping station just a few miles from my home that greatly increased the amount of product flowing through the nearby pipeline. This has become a serious concern for me due to the history of serious spills that have occurred from similar piping operations. I'm not sure why we need more pipelines when it seems everyone is moving away from fossil fuels anyways. Perhaps most shocking to me was learning about fellow Boone county land owners who forcibly had their property rights violated for the purposes of putting in these pipelines. This is a private foreign company, using eminent domain, to forcibly utilize someone else's private land for the purpose of making money. I understand when it's for the public good, like expanding an airport, or re-configuring a highway, but it seems a massive abuse to use it for private profits.

Kyle Marcussen

Editor

Angie Bodine has the courage, determination, and experience to represent the people of IL69

Angie Bodine had the political courage to gather signatures calling for redistricting Illinois even though her party might lose seats. She put more accountability to voters ahead of party.

While running a tough race, she also started the process of bringing rail service to the stateline. The 69<sup>th</sup> has been underserved, paying towards the growth of other areas, while we fell behind. Bodine put us ahead of her own campaign.

Bodine currently works as a school bus driver on the Emergency Response Team in the public-school system, but is a product of the parochial schools. Her experience with a cross-section of students makes her uniquely qualified for the transition to voucher use.

When called on for courage, our current representative votes "present" or doesn't show up.

When the determination to solve Illinois' problems is needed, he cuts and runs. Illinois has budget issues - cut away Chicago. Public schools are struggling - cut away the best teachers and students offering no solutions to vulnerable students.

While Angie Bodine's opponent has been a representative and works in the private school system, he hasn't grown in experience. He blames, attacks, and hides.

Angie Bodine fought for us even when our representative didn't.

Wendy LaFauce

## Community News & Events

**Costumes for CASA-** The Ida Public Library is seeking donations of new or gently used costumes to be donated to Boone County CASA in time for Halloween! Costumes may be dropped off at any service desk in the library. Call 815-544-3838 for more information.

**Trunk or Treating at Ida Public Library-**The Ida Public Library is excited to announce the return of their annual Trunk-or-Treating event. The Library's parking lot will be blocked off and pre-approved volunteers made of community members and businesses decorate their trunks. From 6:30-7:30pm. There will also be a pumpkin decorating context. The week leading up to October 26th, families, community groups, and businesses are invited to drop off pumpkins carved or painted to any service desk in the library. Call the Ida Public Library at 815-544-3838 or email angelab@idapubliclibrary.org to sign up to host a trunk or for more information.

**12th Annual Craft Show-** Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 9am to 3pm. Located at Trinity Lutheran Church 504 E. Diggins Street, Harvard, IL 60033. Come shop and eat with us! Room for more Crafters and Vendors. Call Carolyn at 815-943-5072 for more information.

**BCAS First Howl-O-Ween Trunk of Treat-** Saturday, October 27th from 3:00 p.m. Until 5:00 p.m. At the BCAS Shelter located at 4546 Squaw Prairie Road, Belvidere, Illinois. Volunteers will hand out candy to children and pet treats to well behaved dogs that come

to the event. There will be a Pet Costume Contest that will be judged by the BCASA members. This event will be held in the parking lot and the service drive off of Squaw Prairie Road.

**7th Annual Christmas Art & Craft Show-** Friday, October 26, 2018 and Saturday, October 27, 2018. Located at The Shed 1075 Fairview Street, German Valley, IL. Original artwork by KMB; Fleece blankets, vests & jackets; Crocheted afghans, slippers, doilies, hats, scarves & cowls; Tree garland & ornaments and so much more! Call 815-541-5903 for further details.

**Belvidere I.O.U Annual Halloween Parade-** Tuesday, October 30th, 2018 at 7 p.m. Rain or Shine. Don't Miss the Best Halloween Parade Ever! Enter your parade float for a chance to win prizes. Call Jerry Larson with questions about parade float entries and any other information at 815-547-5857.

**Holiday Bazaar & Luncheon-** Friday, November 2, 2018. Located at the First United Methodist Church 610 Bonus Avenue, Belvidere. Bake Sale & Bazaar from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. And Ham Ball Luncheon 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Admission \$10. Call 815-544-3479 for more information.

**39th Annual Christmas in the Country Arts & Crafts Show-** Saturday, November 10, 2018 from 9am-4pm. And Sunday, November 11, 2018 from 10am-3pm. Located at Sandwich High School, Sandwich Middle School, Lynn Haskins Grade School. Lunch will be served, Door Prizes, and 150 crafters. Shuttle Bus Service Between Schools. Please leave your strollers at home!

**FOR RENT: 2 bedroom home, large yard, attached garage, deck, AC, walkin shower. \$825 Per month. Opening soon! No pets. Call 608-604-0791 Leave Message**

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## Belvidere Auto Maintenance, Inc.

**Full Service Auto Repairs**

**Don't Get Confused & Go To The Wrong Place!**

**Call First and Get EXACT Directions!**

*Next to the Ugly Radio Tower At*

**320 W. Locust, Belvidere, IL**

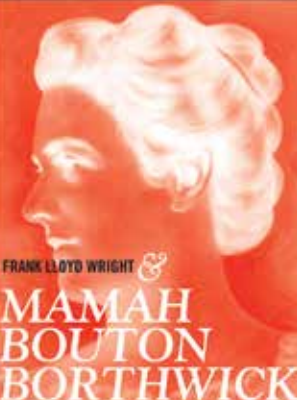


**\$19.95**


**OIL CHANGE**

up to 5 quarts of oil. Must present ad at time of service. Expires 11/2/18

**(815) 547-8020**




FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT & **MAMAH BORTHWICK**



The Laurent House & Pettit Chapel present Ellie Carlson as the ghost of Mamah Borthwick, the great love of Frank Lloyd Wright's life. This Saturday, October 20 at 1:30 & 2:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$20 (without tour) or \$40 (with tour)  
Call: 815.877.2952



## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**LYRAN CLUB**  
1115 4th Ave Rockford  
Friday Fish Fry - no cover

10/19	Blues Disciples
11/2	Dave Weld & the Imperial Flames
11/16	Billy Flynn
12/7	Trinadora Rocks
12/21	Madtown Mannish Boys
1/4	Written Warning

**HOPE & ANCHOR**  
5040 N 2nd St Loves Park

11/10	Lil Ed & the Blues Imperials
12/8	Reverend Raven & The Chain Smoking Altar Boys
1/11	Blues Disciples
2/9	Mike Wheeler Band

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## LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY

DANITA L. GREEN, Plaintiff,  
KOHL'S DEPARTMENT STORES, INCORPORATED, 45-DAY SUMMONS  
Involuntary Plaintiff, Case Number: 18CV006087  
Code Number: 30101 Personal Injury - Auto  
STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY and JUSTIN A. ROBERTS, Defendants.

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN TO:  
JUSTIN A. ROBERTS  
605 Wheatland Drive Belvidere, Illinois 61008

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you.

Within forty-five (45) days after October 19, 2018, to respond with a written demand for a copy of the Summons and Complaint. The demand must be sent or delivered to the Court, whose address is:  
Clerk of Circuit Court Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 North 9th Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233

And to plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is:  
Hupy and Abraham, S.C. 111 East Kilbourn Avenue Suite 1100 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not demand a copy of the Complaint within forty-five (45) days, the Court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

DATED at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, this 11th day of October, 2018.  
HUPY AND ABRAHAM, S.C.  
Attorneys for the Plaintiff,  
James R. Shilobrit  
State Bar Number: 1013680  
Post Office Address:  
111 East Kilbourn Avenue Suite 1100  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202  
(414) 223-4800

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## Assumed Names

ASSUMED NAME CERTIFICATE OF INTENTION  
State of Illinois County of Boone ) ss This is to certify that the undersigned intend... to conduct and transact a Stock Club business in said County and State under the name of Boone County Investors, Investment Club at the following post office addresses: 17052 Stimes Road, Capron, IL, 61012 and that the true and real full names of all persons owning, conducting or transacting such business, with the respective residence address of each, are as follows:  
NAME AND ADDRESS OF RESIDENCE: James H. Osterberg, 10200 Woodstock Rd., Garden Prairie, IL 61038; William J. Wilson, 11082 Morning Dove, Belvidere, IL, 61008; Cheryl L. Lindberg, 3950 IL Route 173, Caledonia, IL 61011; Terri L. Bullard, 5343 Quail Trap Rd., Poplar Grove, IL 61065; David Tinberg, 555 E. Ogden, Capron, IL 61012; Wayde Priest, 17052 Stimes Rd., Capron, IL 61012; Chad Osterberg, 18851 Harnish Rd., Roscoe, IL, 61073; William Baker, 13472 Spring Hill Ct., Winnebago, IL, 61088. Signed: James Osterberg, William Wilson, Cheryl Lindberg, Terri Bullard, David Tinberg, Wayde Priest, Chad Osterberg, William P. Baker, 09/26/18  
Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this 26th. day of September, 2018, Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Erica L. Bluege, Deputy  
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ASSUMED NAME CERTIFICATE OF INTENTION  
State of Illinois County of Boone ) ss This is to certify that the undersigned intend... to conduct and transact a Computer Consulting Business in said County and State under the name of RDG Information Systems at the following post office addresses: 2676 E. Fairfield Trail, Belvidere IL, 61008 and that the true and real full names of all persons owning, conducting or transacting such business, with the respective residence address of each, are as follows:  
NAME AND ADDRESS OF RESIDENCE: Raymond DeGennaro, 2676 E. Fairfield Trail, Belvidere IL, 61008. Signed: Raymond DeGennaro, 10/08/18  
Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me this 8th. day of October, 2018, Julie A. Stapler, County Clerk, by Sheryl Rickabaugh, Deputy  
Published in the Boone County Journal 10/ 12,19,26





IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL  
CIRCUIT BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PUBLICATION NOTICE

In The Interest of: Amir Price, Minor No. 18-JA-11  
TO William Price/To whom it may concern/ All Unknown Fathers  
(Respondent)

ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Take notice that on the September 09, 2018, a petition was filed under the JUVENILE COURT ACT by Atty. Tricia L Smith, State's Attorney, 601 North Main Street, Belvidere, Illinois 61008, in the Circuit Court of Boone County entitled "In the Interest of Amir Price, minor; and that in the County Courthouse, in Belvidere, Illinois, at 1:30 P.M. Central Daylight time on October 25, 2018 & December 6, 2018; or as soon thereafter as this cause may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the child declared to be a ward of the Court under that act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS PROCEEDING TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS, AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND THE APPOINTMENT OF A

GUARDIAN WITH THE POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. Unless you appear you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

Now, unless you appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

Dated September 25, 2018

LINDA J. ANDERSON, CIRCUIT CLERK

by: Heather Austin, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST

The public test of the automatic tabulating equipment and program to be used at the November 6, 2018 General Election will be Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at 10:00AM in the Boone County Clerk's Office, 1212 Logan Avenue #103, Belvidere, Illinois. The public, press, candidates and political parties are invited to attend.

Julie A. Stapler

Boone County Clerk

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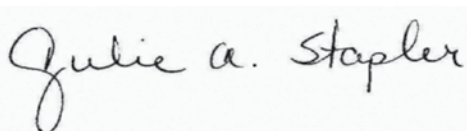
Notice of Lien:

The following amount must be received on, or before October 31, 2018 by certified check at Belvidere Mini Storage: P.O. Box 963: Woodstock, IL 60098. Otherwise, the contents of the below units located at 810 W. Locust Street, Belvidere, IL 61008 will be disposed of, or sold.

Name:	Unit #	Amount Due:
Rochon, Staci L.	113	\$514.59
Banla, Kenneth L.	24	\$515.59

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SPECIMEN BALLOT GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 6, 2018	
 Julie A. Stapler, Boone County Clerk & Recorder	
BOONE COUNTY, ILLINOIS	
STATE	CONGRESSIONAL
<b>FOR GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (Vote for one)</b> <input type="radio"/> (JB PRITZKER (JULIANA STRATTON) DEMOCRATIC  <input type="radio"/> (BRUCE RAUNER (EVELYN SANGUINETTI) REPUBLICAN  <input type="radio"/> (GRAYSON KASH JACKSON Formerly known as BENJAMIN ADAM WINDERWEEDLE until name changed on Aug 29, 2017 (SANJEEV MOHIP) LIBERTARIAN  <input type="radio"/> (WILLIAM "SAM" McCANN (AARON MERREIGHN) CONSERVATIVE  <input type="radio"/> Write-in _____	<b>FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS SIXTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for one)</b> <input type="radio"/> SARA DADY DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> ADAM KINZINGER REPUBLICAN
LEGISLATIVE	
<b>FOR STATE SENATOR THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)</b> No Candidate DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> DAVE SYVERSON REPUBLICAN	
REPRESENTATIVE	
<b>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for one)</b> <input type="radio"/> KWAME RAOUL DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> ERIKA HAROLD REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> BUBBA HARSY LIBERTARIAN	<b>FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SIXTY-NINTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)</b> <input type="radio"/> ANGELIQUE "ANGIE" BODINE DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> JOE SOSNOWSKI REPUBLICAN
<b>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for one)</b> <input type="radio"/> JESSE WHITE DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> JASON HELLAND REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> STEVE DUTNER LIBERTARIAN	<b>FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SEVENTIETH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT (Vote for one)</b> <input type="radio"/> PAUL STODDARD DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> JEFF KEICHER REPUBLICAN
COUNTY	
<b>FOR COMPROLLER (Vote for one)</b> <input type="radio"/> SUSANA A. MENDOZA DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> DARLENE SINGER REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> CLAIRE BALL LIBERTARIAN	<b>FOR COUNTY CLERK (Vote for one)</b> <input type="radio"/> DIANN HELNORE DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> JULIE A. STAPLER REPUBLICAN
<b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for one)</b> <input type="radio"/> MICHAEL W. FRERICHS DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> JIM DODGE REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> MICHAEL LEHENY LIBERTARIAN	<b>FOR TREASURER (Vote for one)</b> No Candidate DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> CURTIS P. NEWPORT REPUBLICAN
<b>FOR SHERIFF (Vote for one)</b> No Candidate DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> DAVID ERNEST REPUBLICAN	
COUNTY BOARD	
<b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT ONE (Vote for not more than two)</b> No Candidate DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> RAYMOND R. LARSON REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> SHERRY GIESECKE REPUBLICAN	
<b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT TWO (Vote for not more than two)</b> No Candidate DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> JEFFREY S. CARLISLE REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> KARL JOHNSON REPUBLICAN	
<b>FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT THREE (Vote for not more than two)</b> <input type="radio"/> CHERIE BARTELT DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> BRAD STARK REPUBLICAN <input type="radio"/> SHERRY BRANSON REPUBLICAN	
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE REGION	
<b>FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (BOONE AND WINNEBAGO COUNTIES) (Vote for one)</b> No Candidate DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> SCOTT BLOOMQUIST REPUBLICAN	
<b>FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (DeKALB COUNTY) (Vote for one)</b> <input type="radio"/> AMANDA CHRISTENSEN DEMOCRATIC No Candidate REPUBLICAN	
<b>FOR REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (McHENRY COUNTY) (Vote for one)</b> No Candidate DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> LESLIE SCHERMERHORN REPUBLICAN	

JUDICIAL
<b>FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. J. Edward Prochaska) (Vote for one)</b>  <input type="radio"/> ANN DEMPSEY DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> JOHN LOWRY REPUBLICAN
<b>FOR JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT (To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Rosemary Collins) (Vote for one)</b>  <input type="radio"/> JOSEPH P. "JOE" BRUSCATO DEMOCRATIC <input type="radio"/> DONNA HONZEL REPUBLICAN
<b>BALLOT FOR JUDICIAL CANDIDATES SEEKING RETENTION IN OFFICE</b> "Vote on the Proposition with respect to all or any of the Judges listed on this ballot. No Judge listed is running against any other Judge. The sole question is whether each Judge shall be retained in his present office."
APPELLATE COURT JUDGE
<b>SHALL ROBERT D. McLAREN be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE APPELLATE COURT SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT?</b>  <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE
<b>SHALL BRENDAN MAHER be retained in office as JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT?</b>  <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
BOONE COUNTY ADVISORY QUESTIONS
Shall Boone County oppose any law restricting law-abiding gun owners from their Second Amendment rights as guaranteed by the US Constitution and to protect them from unconstitutional gun laws which have or may be passed by the Illinois General Assembly?  <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
Shall the State of Illinois pursue reinstating passenger rail service to Northwest Illinois from Chicago to East Dubuque?  <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO

